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One $15.00 Man's Suit

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One $8 Youth's Overcoat.

One $7 Boy's Suit.

One $7 Boy's Overcoat.

One $6 Silk Hat.

One $5 Child's Overcoat.

One $7 Valise

One $3 Silk Umbrella.

One $5 Child's Suit

One $5 Club Bag Valise and Strap.

One $5 Zinc Trunk

One Barrel Flour from D. S. Shellabarger & Co.

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One ½ doz n Fine Shirts.

One $4 Soft Hat.

One $5 pair Pants

One fine Meerschaum Pipe, from Fred Norman's celebrated 7 in Chair Barber Shop.

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"I DIDN'T!"

If you want a CHRISTMAS PRESENT now is the time to get one, as we intend moving to larger and more convenient quarters, and will sell REGARDLESS OF COST for cash, to save the expense of moving.

Don't forget to call before the bargains are all gone. Remember the place, BACHMAN BROS., South Side City Park.

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—AT THE DECATUR—

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I can show a finer display of home-made carpets at my salesroom than can be seen in Central Illinois.

Carpets made to order at short notice and the price charged will be in proportion to amount of chain used.

Rags taken in exchange for carpets. Please call and see for yourself.

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Sept 29-d&wtm



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—AT—

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158 MERCHANT ST.

Our Elegant Line contains all the Latest Styles of

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Our Line of FINE PANTALOONS is the best in the city.

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## FLEURY,

The French Cutter,

158 Merchant St., DECATUR.


## MASTER IN CHANCERY'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY.

In Circuit Court of Macon County to September Term, A. D. 1886.—In Chancery.

Philip Vogle vs. Caroline Dills et al.—Foreclosure.—No. 12,687.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term, A. D. 1886, by the said court, in the above entitled cause, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon on

*Saturday, the 15th day of January, A. D. 1887,*

at the west door of the Court House in said Macon county, sell, at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit: The south half of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section twenty-seven (27) in township sixteen (16) north range two east of the 3d p m. in said county; the north half of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section twenty-seven (27) in township sixteen (16) north range two (2) east of the 3d p. m.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash. Subject to redemption.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1886.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon county.
MILLS BROS., Complainant's Solicitors.
Dec24d8w


FEED at Geo. W Ehrhart's coal yards. o8-d1m.

PERSIAN Shawls, handsome and cheap, just received, at Linn & Scruggs. d&w

BUSHER & HUTCHIN for the finest holiday slippers in the city. d14-d&wtf

BUSHER & HUTCHIN for the finest holiday slippers in the city. d14-d&wtf

SPECIAL sale at Cheap Charley's. Call before they are all gone. d&w

GENTS' fine Neckwear, latest styles, at B. Stine's.

ANOTHER sale of red underwear at Cheap Charley's. d&w


## PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

—They do say that a girl never looks so pretty to a young man as when she has just refused to be his wife.—*Somerville Journal.*

—Pierre Lorillard has spent one million three hundred thousand dollars on Truxedo Park, on the Ramapo, in New Jersey.—*N. Y. Times.*

—G. B. Thayer, son of ex-Senator Thayer, of Connecticut, traveled 4,224 miles this year on a bicycle. He left his home in Vernon, Conn., last April. —*Hartford Post.*

—Frederick the Great in his youth was noted for his stubbornness and bashfulness and, we are told, showed this at his sister's marriage. Instead of appearing at the ceremony in court attire he came with the servants, dressed as one of their number.

—It is not generally known that President Lincoln was an inventor, but the first instalment of the "Lincoln Life" in the *Century* contains reduced fac-similes of the drawings in the Patent Office, on which was obtained a patent for "A. Lincoln's improved manner of buoying vessels."

—Blind Bill, a colored inmate of a Georgia poor-house, has a most remarkable sense of touch. He can tell any one whom he has met by feeling of his hand. A man whom he had not met for ten years shook hands with him the other day and Bill at once called him by name, though not a word had before been spoken.—*N. Y. Sun.*

—Jay Gould figures that if he should give fifty men five thousand dollars each to go into business for themselves one-half would fail and lose all within five years, and the other twenty-five would be mad because he was able to make it ten thousand dollars and didn't do it. He argues that men appreciate their own earnings far more than a gift.

—Mrs. Grant still takes special interest in one of her oil-paintings, a large canvas representing herself, the General and their children as they appeared just after the close of the war. "It may not be a work of art," she says, "and, indeed, some of my friends ask me why I let it hang in my parlor, but to me it is better than a work of art."—*Chicago Journal.*

—A St. Paul editor paid Emma Abbott a big compliment. He was sitting by the singer's husband while she was singing in "La Traviata," in which the heroine is dying of consumption. Emma was doing her best, cough and all, and the editor, turning to Mr Wetherell, said most sympathetically, "Your wife seems to have quite a bad cold." As soon as Mr. Wetherell recovered he explained that the cough was part of the performance.

—Mrs. A. T. Stewart's immediate family was not very large. She had three unmarried half-sisters, Misses Anna, Julia and Emma Clinch, and a nephew and a niece, the children of Charles P. Clinch, her half-brother, who, for fifty years before his death, was a deputy collector of New York. The nephew was Mrs Stewart's favorite He is Charles J. Clinch, a resident of Paris, where he is President of the American Club.—*N. Y. Herald*

—Two well-known characters among the Onondaga Indians have recently died. One was Aunt Cynthia Farrar, famous for her wealth. She kept a bank account at Syracuse, loaned thousands of dollars, and bought the land of her debtors when they could not repay her. The other celebrity was Aunt Dinah, an Onondaga of pure blood, and believed to be one hundred and eight years old when she died. She was feeble and totally blind, but had good use of her mental faculties. —*Buffalo Express.*

### "A LITTLE NONSENSE."

Which was Sir Walter Scott's greatest novel?" asks a correspondent of *Siftings*. Each one should judge for himself, Ivanhoe-tion.—*Texas Siftings.*

—Why does the camel know more about base-ball than the dromedary? Because he is a hump higher. Take this with your dessert.—*Commercial Bulletin*

"Come here, Walter, and let me shave you too," said Uncle Alfred, who was tonsorially employed, to his five-year old nephew. "No," was the prompt reply, "my whiskers ain't ripe yet." —*Harper's Bazar.*

—Old lady (suffering from hiccoughs, to drug clerk)—Young——man, I want to——get some liquor—— Clerk (hastily)—Can't do it, madam. You've had enough alrea—— Old lady (frigidly)—Some liquorice. — *N. Y. Sun.*

—Customer (to waiter who has brought him a steak of the smallest dimensions)—Bring me a glass, please. Waiter—Glass of what? Lager or bitter, sir? Customer—No, a magnifying glass; I am afraid of cutting into the plate.—*N. Y. Telegram.*

—A Washington scientist has figured that the jar of street cars passing in front of brick buildings will reduce all the mortar to dust in about four hundred years. We always suspected that something would happen of letting the old horse stub along in such a reckless manner.—*Detroit Free Press.*

—He—From the wapt exprethion of your fathe, Mith Mawy, I know that thith autumnal thunthet awoutheth thoughth of deepeth thentiment in your mind. She—Y-e-s; I was thinking what a jolly good lot of colors they'd be, if I could only get at them, for my new crazy quilt.—*Harper's Bazar*

—"Violet," said the young man with hair evenly balanced and creased breeches, "I have come to-night to ask you a question that has been on my mind for weeks." "Well, Victor," said the shy goddess. "I am anxious to know if you would take me for better or for worse?" "Well, Victor, to look at you I should say worse!" Victor is single yet.—*Yonkers Statesman.*

—The Sunday school teacher was impressing upon her class the importance of honoring their parents. "Now children," said she, "when you are naughty and cross, your mamma does not want you to be near her where she can see your naughty ways. But when you are good she loves to have you by her. Now, Tommy, when do you think your mamma loves you best?" "When I am asleep," replied Tommy, stoutly. "She says so."—*Mercantile Traveler.*

### Most Excellent.

J. J. Atkins, Chief of Police, Knoxville Tenn., writes: "My family and I are beneficiaries of your most excellent medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption; having found it to be all that you claim for it, desire to testify to its virtue. My friends to whom I have recommended it, praise it at every opportunity." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, and every affection of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Trial Bottles free at Swearingen & Hubbard's Drug Store. Large size, $1.00. a8


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There are forty reasons why men dress well. some of them decidedly curious should they be probed.

Expediency of odd sorts, serves to accomplish certain ends and the like.

Most men, we trust, rise to the higher plane of neatness and good taste. A well bred man pleases himself and enjoys a satisfaction in knowing he attracts no attention by too little dress or too much. In our very full supply of NEW FALL BUSINESS SUITS, DRESS SUITS, FALL OVERCOATS, BOYS' and CHILDREN'S SUITS, you will find the happy medium, that every gentleman of good taste and every mother of refinement, who wishes to see her boys well dressed, enjoys.

In answer to the enquiry so often asked, WHERE CAN I DO THE BEST? we would say, and prove it if necessary, that every dollar's worth of goods that is delivered to us, after being examined and found correct, is paid for, SPOT CASH. This, and a twenty years' experience in our business, knowing how to buy, where to buy, offsets any argument that has been and may be made by any of our competitors as to their offering extraordinary bargains without any good reason on their part as to their superior ability, financially or otherwise, to procure them.

The Reliable Clothier and Gents' Furnisher,

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# CUT PRICE SALE

—OF—

## FINE VELVETS,

## Silks and Dress Goods,

—AT—

# BRADLEY BROS.' New York Store.

Fancy Two-Toned Striped and Brocade Silk Velvets, at **$2.98** per yard—former price $4,00.

Two-Toned Brocade Velvets at **$1.48** per yard—former price, $2.50.

Fancy Striped Silk Velvets at **$1.48** per yard—former price $2.25.

$2.00 Brocade Silk Velvets at **$1.25** per yard.

19-Inch Black Gros Grain Silks at **75c** per yard—worth 90c.

19-Inch Heavy Black Gros Grain Silks at **90c** per yard—worth $1.00.

Extra Quality of American Regatta Silk at **$1** per yard—worth $1.25.

22-Inch Satin-finish Gros Grain Silk at **$1.25** per yard.

20 Inch Black Rhadezemair Silk at **$1 25** per yard—worth $1.50.

20 Inch Black Armure and Cicilian Silks at **$1.48** per yard—former price $1 75.

23-Inch Satin-finished Black Gros Grain Silk reduced to **$1.50** per yd.

24-Inch Bonnett Silk, Extra Fine Satin Finish, at **$1.75** yard—reduced from $2.25.

23-Inch Extra Quality Heavy Gros Grain Silks at **$1.98** per yard—reduced from $2 50.

25 Pieces of Gilbert's 45-Inch Silk and Wool Fancy Dress Goods at 65c and 75c per yard—reduced from $1.

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## Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, to September Term, A. D. 1886.
—In Chancery.

William George vs. Lavinia Morian et al—Foreclosure.—No. 12,838.

Public notice is hereby given, that, in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term, A. D., 1886, by the said Court, in the above entitled cause, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery, will, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, on

*Saturday, the 22d day of January, A. D., 1887,*

at the west door of the Court House, in the city of Decatur in said Macon county, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section thirty-three (33) in township seventeen (17) north range three east of the 3d P. M. Also commencing at the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of said section, township and range, thence south ten (10) chains and four (4) links, thence west one chain, thence north ten (10) chains and four (4) links, thence east one chain to the place of beginning, including in all 41 acres, more or less

TERMS OF SALE—Cash. Said land is sold subject to redemption.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1886

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon Co., Ill.
MILLS BROS., Complainant's Solicitors.
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## MASTER IN CHANCERY'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY.

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery. To September Term, A. D. 1886.

Oscar F. Parker vs Jacob Spangler et al—No. 12,822.

Public notice is hereby given, that, in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A. D. 1886, by the said court, in the above entitled cause, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon county, Illinois, will at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, on

*Saturday, the 15th day of January, A. D. 1887,*

at the west door of the court house in Decatur in said Macon county, sell, at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit. The southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section No. seven (7), township sixteen (16) north, range three (3) east of the 3rd P. M.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash. Said land is sold subject to redemption.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 24th day of December A. D. 1886.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon county Ill
BUNN & PARK, Complainant's Solicitors.
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## RAILROAD TIME-TABLES.

### Wabash, St Louis & Pacific R'y.

[NOTE—"From" denotes time of arrival; "To" denotes time of departure.]

| FROM ST. LOUIS. | | TO ST LOUIS. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 4 Pass | 11.50 a. m. | No. 3 Pass | 3.50 a. m. |
| No. 42 " | 10:45 p. m. | No. 43 " | 4:15 a. m. |
| No. 2 " | 11.59 p. m. | No. 6 " | 3:05 p. m. |
| No. 70 Ft't | 5.45 p. m. | No. 71 Ft't | 5:45 a. m. |
| FROM QUINCY. | | TO QUINCY. | |
| No. 42 Pass | 10.30 p m. | No. 43 Pass | 4.35 a. m. |
| No. 44 " | 11:25 a. m. | No. 45 " | 3:15 p. m. |
| No. 48 acc | 7:00 p. m. | No. 47 acc. | 7:00 a. m. |
| No. 70 Ft't | 11:00 a. m | No. 71 Ft't | 12:30 p. m. |

| FROM TOLEDO & DETROIT. | | TO TOLEDO & DETROIT. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 43 Pass | 4 05 a. m. | No. 46 Pass | 4:35 a. m. |
| No. 45 " | 2:55 p. m. | No. 44 " | 11:40 a. m. |
| No. 41 " | 10.55 p. m. | No. 42 " | 10:55 p. m. |
| No. 71 Ft't | 5.00 p. m. | No. 70 Ft't. | 7:30 a. m |

| FROM CHICAGO. | | TO CHICAGO. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 3 Pass | 3 40 a. m. | No. 2 Pass | 12:15 a. m. |
| No. 5 " | 2.50 p. m. | No. 4 " | 11:50 a. m. |

### ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

| NORTH. | | SOUTH. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 2 Pass | 7.20 a.m. | No. 1 Pass | 5:02 p.m. |
| No. 4 Pass | 12:41 a.m. | No. 3 Pass | 10:17 a.m. |
| No 12 Pass | 2.50 p.m. | No. 11 Ft't | 9:00 a. m. |
| No. 10 Ft't | 4.10 p.m. | No. 7 Ft't | 11:35 a. m. |
| | | | (Sunday only) |

### INDIANAPOLIS, DECATUR & SPRINGFIELD.

| ARRIVE. | | LEAVE. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 1 Pass. | 3:00 p. m. | No. 2 Pass | 11:55 a. m. |
| No. 3 Pass | 4:15 a. m. | No. 4 Pass | 10:50 p. m. |
| No. 13 Ft't. | 9.00 a. m. | No. 12 Ft't | 6:00 a. m. |
| No. 11 Ft't | 7:40 p. m. | No. 14 Ft't | 6:30 p. m. |

### PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE.

| NORTH. | | SOUTH. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 1 Pass. | 3:10 p.m. | No. 2 Pass. | 10:52 a. m. |
| No. 3 Pass | 6:40 a.m. | No. 4 Pass. | 10:12 p. m. |
| No 13 Ft. | 10:45 a.m. | No. 14 Ft | 2:15 p. m. |

### ILLINOIS MIDLAND.

| WEST. | | EAST. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 1 Pass | 11.45 a. m. | No. 2 Pass | 11:45 a. m |
| No. 3 Ft't. | 5.00 a. m. | No. 4 Ft't. | 4:50 a. m. |

## MASTER IN CHANCERY'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY.

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery. To September Term, A. D. 1886.

John M Rainey vs. John Amos—Bill to Foreclose Mortgage. No. 12,811.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September term, A. D. 1886, by the said court, in the above entitled cause, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on

*Saturday, the 8th day of January A. D. 1887,*

at the west door of the Court House in Decatur in said Macon county, sell, at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit The northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section ten (10) in township fifteen (15) north range two (2) east of the third Principle Meridian.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash. Said land is sold subject to redemption

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of December, A. D 1886.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon Co., Ill.
BUNN & PARK, Complainant's Solicitors.
Dec15-d&w


GOLD Solids are gone, but those who write to Geo. Stinson & Co., Portland, Maine, will receive free, full information about work which they can do, and live at home, that will pay them from $5 to $20 per day. Some have earned over $20 in a day. Either sex, young or old. Capital not required. You are started free. Those who start at once are absolutely sure of being little fortunes. All is new. feb1-d6mowlyr


### Through Sleeper and Coach to New Orleans.

The Illinois Central Railroad will run a Through Sleeper to New Orleans, leaving Decatur at 5:12 p. m. Tuesday, January 11, 1887. Should there be a sufficient number who do not wish Sleeper to warrant it, a Coach will be placed on the same train, at Dubuque, to run through to New Orleans without change. This will especially accommodate parties for New Orleans, Hammond, Jennings, and Jackson, Mississippi. Applications for Sleeping Car Berths must be made to the undersigned on or before January 6th. J. F. MERRY, dec28-d1d Gen. West. Pass. Agt.

The Daily Republican.

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Entered at the Post Office at Decatur, Illinois, as second class matter.

TUESDAY EVE., JAN 4, 1887.

The Legislature.

The Illinois legislature will convene at noon to-morrow. The work of the first day will be confined to the organization of the two houses, and it is not likely that the Governor's message will be sent in until the next day. Appearances now indicate the election of Littler as Speaker of the House, though there is no telling what a day may bring forth. The question of the election of a successor to Gen. Logan will of course enter into the work of the organization, no matter how great the effort may be to keep it out. The election of a senator, however, can not take place for a couple of weeks yet.

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Russia and Germany entered into an offensive and defensive alliance about two weeks ago, is the intelligence which just comes to the world from the French capital. There would be nothing very startling in this report, even were it considered to be literally true, to the thoughtful observer of European political and diplomatic movements for the past six months. There seems to be a strong probability that the triple alliance which was entered into years ago still binds, in some degree, the stronger parties to that compact. The story of a new alliance between Germany and Russia may not be actually and literally correct, for the reason that the old alliance has never been broken so far as regards those two Powers. Nevertheless, the news of this new alliance will not be very pleasant intelligence for Austria, France or England. But somehow the two big autocrats have not shown any particularly strong desire to please these Governments in the past year or two, and there is as yet no evidence that there will be a change of policy in this respect in 1887.

Logan's Selection of an Epitaph.

Kansas City Star, (Runnion's paper.) It is remembered that Senator Logan once selected the epitaph for his own tomb. It is so appropriate that it is here reproduced as near as memory can recall it. When the Senator was in Kansas last summer he spoke at Ottawa; and after referring to the fact that he had been criticised for giving what had been termed excessive attention to the soldiers, he said: "When I am dead and gone I want no better epitaph than this, 'Logan made it his business to look after the interests of the soldiers.'"

The Dead at Rest.

The impressive funeral services over the remains of the late Judge Samuel F. Greer were held yesterday afternoon at the family residence, No 151 West Prairie street. The rooms and halls were filled with friends of the deceased and so large was the attendance that many who came late were unable to gain admission. Members of the Macon county bar, the court officials and county officials attended in a body. Upon the casket were placed a profusion of floral designs, the offerings of friends. The services were conducted by Rev. J. F. Coultas, of the First M. E. Church, assisted by Rev. W. H. Prestley, of the First Presbyterian Church, the former delivering an appropriate and affecting discourse on the theme, "What Is Man," and the latter speaking especially of his long personal acquaintance with the deceased and referring in well chosen words to his noble character. The choir, Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Mrs. O. F. Spaulding, R. W. Chilson and Sherman McClelland, during the services sang "Asleep in Jesus" and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." The remains were followed to Greenwood by a long cortege of friends, and the body was laid in the grave beside the remains of the deceased's wife, who passed away six years ago. The Methodist burial service was observed at the grave. Those who served as pall-bearers were: Judge Nelson, O. A. Ewing, E. McClellan, H. C. Johns, L. Burrows, M. Elson, John Hatfield and John Ullrich.

A Knight's Opinion of Logan and Oglesby.

EDITOR REPUBLICAN:—I see by the papers that Governor Oglesby refuses to be a candidate for United States Senator. This is a great disappointment to the people, who after a thorough canvass of the available men of the state find that upon none can the mantle of Logan fall as gracefully as upon the broad shoulders of stalwart, honest Dick Oglesby. What can be said of Logan can as truthfully be said of Oglesby that upon the battle field, in the councils of the nation, and in denunciation of treason, a blast upon his bugle horn was worth ten thousand men. Their lives run in almost parallel grooves. They were born and reared among the log cabins of the west, without the prestige of wealth or the polish of classical schools. Each by valor, honesty and integrity has engraved his name on the hearts of his countrymen, that will endure when the Pyramids of Nile will have sunk beneath the desert sands. The greatness of each is ironclad, manifesting none of those petty weaknesses that the great men of the nation have so often possessed. They never bowed the knee to mammon or hobnobbed with an aristocracy of wealth. The wage-workers demand the election of Oglesby, for they know they can trust him. He came up from their ranks and does not belong to the wealthy class, and has by his acts shown sympathy for the humble toilers of the earth.

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## WILL PLEAD GUILTY.

### The Doughty Express Robbers indicted by the St. Louis Grand Jury.

They Will All Plead Guilty and Throw Themselves on the Mercy of the Court.

Anxious to Clear Fotheringham---After the Robbery---How Wittrock Covered His Tracks.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 3.—Fred Wittrock, alias "Jim Cummings," W. W. Haight and Thomas Weaver, the three express robbers now in the holdover at the Four Courts, were this afternoon indicted by the grand jury of robbery in the first degree. As soon as the grand jury went into session this morning, Detective Robert Pinkerton, Operatives Kearney and King, Maley, Pinkerton's private secretary, and Superintendent Damsel of the express company, entered Assistant Circuit Attorney McDonald's private office adjoining the grand jury room and were called in one by one before the secret twelve to give their testimony against the men under arrest. The robbers were indicted on their own confessions. If they are guilty of robbery in the first degree Fotheringham can not be implicated in the robbery, but it is claimed by the express people that these men can be indicted on their own confessions of robbery in the first degree and the messenger yet be held and be guilty. Fotheringham, they say, will still be held on the old indictment against him, and they claim that while the prisoners deny his guilt that the evidence against him is stronger than ever, and that more is accumulating against him every day. It is thought by many that it will be impossible to convict Fotheringham now, but that he is being held to frighten off damage suits. The express people say that if guilty he will be punished, while, if innocent, every restitution will be made.

In the indictment found to-day Wittrock is made the principal and Haight and Weaver accessories before the fact. Cook, the man held in Kansas City on a charge of receiving stolen property, will be dealt with by the grand jury there, being out of the jurisdiction of the St. Louis Criminal Court. The prisoners all seemed to expect the indictments, and before they were found Wittrock stated that he intended pleading guilty to the charge against him and going right up the road. It was stated by a gentleman in a position to know that the three prisoners would be arraigned in the Criminal Court to-morrow morning after the returning of the indictments and would all plead guilty and go right up the road. The offense of robbery in the first degree, for which they have been indicted, includes all the lesser offenses of larceny, such as larceny from a railroad car, and larceny from the person at night, grand and petit larceny. They would probably plead to one of the lesser offenses and receive sentences. Wittrock admitted he would plead guilty in the morning and take his sentence, as he wanted to go right up the road. Haight said he would do the same thing and Weaver said he would follow the lead of the other two. All say they are in a bad box and think that the quicker it is over with the better. Weaver thinks, however, that others who received the money should also be punished. Wittrock and Haight still assert that the messenger was innocent of all complicity in the crime. Haight feels very badly on account of his wife and child, and says nothing will ever induce him to get into a box like this again.

It was stated on the best of authority late this afternoon that Wittrock and his pals would plead guilty to grand larceny and would by agreement take five years in the penitentiary.

WITTROCK'S ANXIETY TO CLEAR FOTHERINGHAM.

"Wittrock is not within twenty-five pounds of his regular weight," said one of Pinkerton's operatives this morning. "He has been run down by sickness and anxiety. Naturally he is a big, strong fellow who could handle two men the size of Fotheringham. If I had been in the messenger's place I would have given up, as he did, when I felt those strong hands on my arms. Of course on the night of the robbery he was fixed up and talked in a rough voice that made him seem bigger and tougher than he is. I have seen a great deal of both Fotheringham and Wittrock and believe the first is innocent. Fred talks about him constantly. His sole idea is to clear Fotheringham. He says he does not care what they do with himself, but the messenger must be cleared because he is innocent. Wittrock is a curious mixture of shrewdness and —— foolishness. He lost his job through foolishness."

"It is curious," the same speaker continued, "to read the funny stuff in the Chicago and St. Louis papers about going to Chicago to get men to find the 'Frisco robbers, arrest of business men and so forth, when you know that Robert Pinkerton, who found the men, is a New Yorker and the robbers are all Leavenworth, Kas.) men. It was a tough job for Robert. He is nearly worn out. I thought he would go crazy just before Christmas, the strain was so great. He was up night and day watching Wittrock's house. He wouldn't trust any one. I heard him say a few days before Christmas: 'I wish I could send Damsel the Christmas present he wants.' You bet he was a happy fellow when he found he could wire the captures the night before Christmas. I guess Damsel was a little happy too."

AFTER THE ROBBERY.

A Kansas City interview with Oscar Cook says: "Where did Wittrock go after leaving the train?"

"He struck for the Missouri River, and getting in a skiff rowed down the river. After burying the stuff described in his first letter he continued his trip down the river, passing St. Charles in the daytime. From there he walked across the country to the Chicago & Alton track, where he boarded a train and came to Kansas City, arriving here the night of October 28. He got off at Grand avenue and came to my house. Calling me out he told me of the robbery and gave me $200. Then we went to Robinson's saloon and after getting a drink, went behind the saloon, where, sitting on a log, Fred told me the whole story of the robbery. We then went back to my house and locking ourselves in the front room up-stairs opened the valise. The first thing Fred took out was a sealed package marked '$80,000.' Then he brought out another package containing $12,000. In addition to this he had three Government bonds of $500 each and a big package containing $600 notes, a little silver and a lot of securities and unsigned bank notes, which he afterward sent back. We counted the money that night and found that it amounted to $50,000. I don't think there was any more than that. Fred slept at my house that night, and the next night I took him to old man Galbraith's, where he remained most of the time until he left the city."

"How was the money distributed?"

"I went to Chicago with $4,000. I gave $1,000 to Kinney, who is Emma Moore's brother, $2,000 to Emma Moore and $1,000 to Haight. I see that the papers have said that Fred took the lion's share of the money. If I had been he I would have kept all of it. To Weaver, who had backed out after getting to St. Louis, Fred gave $3,000. Haight, who telegraphed him, for God's sake not to do it, came to Kansas City after I had given him the $1,000 in Chicago and got $10,000 more. Fred gave $1,150 to my brother Jack, $1,500 to Moriarity, $1,000 each to John and Charley Taschetta and $2,000 to the printer in Chicago. I think he was pretty free with his money, considering the fact that he went through with the job when everybody else had backed down."

"How much did you get?"

"I got $1,300. He gave me $300 after we had counted the money at my house, making, with the $200 he had previously given me, $500. Then I got $500 on my return from Chicago. He afterward gave me $300 more."

"Why was it that he did not try to get out of the country?"

"It was his intention to go to South America, and he would have succeeded in getting there finally if he had not foolishly gone to Chicago. I tried to persuade him not to go, but he did and got nabbed. I felt that he would when he left."

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District Attorney Bliss' Successor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Senator Cockrell called at the White House at noon to-day to see the President about Mr. Bliss' successor. But the President was too sick to be seen, and the Senator could consequently do nothing in the matter. It is understood the appointment will be made this week. Cockrell and Vest think, of course, it will be Bashaw. In the Department of Justice Blair stock has gone up considerably. Appointment Clerk Ewing, though reticent upon the subject, believes that the chances for Mr. Blair's appointment are growing better.

Approved by the President.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The President yesterday approved the bills to extend the free delivery system of the Post-Office Department and modify the postal money order system; also the act providing for a public building at Springfield, Mass., and the act for the relief of the survivors and relatives of victims of the Jeannette arctic expedition.

The President Improving, But Still Invisible.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The President's condition continues to improve, but he still deems it prudent to deny himself to callers, and remains in his room.

A Pretty Mess—Cigar Manufacturers in a Dilemma.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 4.—Cigar Makers' Protective Union No. 4 has recently charged Eureka Assembly 4,940, Knights of Labor, composed of Cigar makers, with violating the Eight-Hour rule; with adopting resolutions refusing to allow manufacturers the use of the blue seal of the order unless they discontinue the use of the blue label of the International Union, and with seeking to destroy the union and forcing all cigar makers to join the Knights of Labor. The Knights of Labor cigar-makers will retaliate by declaring war to the knife with the International Union. This will place the manufacturer and the retail dealer in a dilemma, and serious results may follow. President Strasses of the International Union yesterday notified Union No. 4 that it is positively known that the blue label is being counterfeited in this city. The matter will be investigated.

Decided in Favor of the Special Depositor.

CHICAGO, Jan 3.—Judge Gresham decided yesterday the case of the Nodaway Bank of Maryville, Mo., against Preston, Keane & Co in favor of the plaintiff. This was the suit brought to recover $12,000 worth of bonds especially deposited with Preston, Keade & Co, by the bank, and which were sunk in wheat deals on the Board of Trade by F. M. Kerr, the defaulting cashier of Preston, Keane & Co. In deciding the case the judge held that Preston, Keane & Co. had not used due care in protecting the special deposits of the bank. The case will be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Ran Into the Hands of Their Captors.

LONDON, Jan 4.—A story comes in the Australian dispatches to-day that two seamen recently murdered a man on Great Barrier Island, New Zealand, and made their escape by a cutter and putting out to sea. The murderers took with them a girl, whom they forced to accompany them, and intended to go to South America. After being several days out they reasoned that the natural line of pursuit would be in the direction they were taking and returned to Port McQuarrie, New South Wales, where they scuttled the cutter and attempted to reach the interior, but were arrested and turned over to the authorities.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

MEADVILLE, Pa., Jan. 4.—The boiler in Thompson's saw mill, located five miles south of Geneva, this county, exploded shortly before noon yesterday with great violence, wrecking the mill and instantly killing Frank Thompson, a son of the proprietor, and two others, and badly injuring a fourth. The names of the three men could not be learned.

Mr. Blaine's Health.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The *Herald's* Augusta, Me., special says that Mr. Blaine is in excellent health. He took his daughter to the depot last night in an open sleigh, though the mercury was three degrees below zero. He jumped in and out of the sleigh at the depot walked about the platform in a lively manner, evidently enjoying the bracing atmosphere.

Mr. Cleveland's Name Was Withdrawn.

NEW YORK, Jan 4.—The executive committee of the American exhibition in London have written to President Cleveland denying the published statement that they failed to withdraw his name from the list of honorary officers of the exhibition when requested by him to do so last August.

A Silver Anniversary.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4.—A large congregation was present yesterday morning at St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church to witness the ceremonies in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the consecration of Rt. Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, Bishop of the diocese of Philadelphia.

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## FROM WASHINGTON.

### Congressional Prognostications---Report of the Senate Committee on Transportation.

Legislation for the Former---Government Finances---General Logan Was Not Doctored to Death.

District Attorney Bliss' Successor---Approved by the President---The President Improving.

Congressional Prognostications.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—"It would be very difficult to forecast with any degree of certainty the proceeding of the week in the House, or in fact to say what is likely to occur to-morrow," said Speaker Carlisle to a United Press reporter to-day. "The members," continued the Speaker, "are scattered all over the country, and I have heard nothing from those in the city about the work proposed. I presume that Mr. Morrison or some other Illinois member will announce the death of Senator Logan after the morning hour to-morrow, and the House will adjourn over to Wednesday. There are four appropriation bills on the calendar, the Military, Academy, Pensions, Consular and Diplomatic and Indian, and these will scramble for precedence, most likely, when the House meets on Wednesday. Mr. Hatch may make an effort to get up his bill establishing a Cabinet office of the Bureau of Agriculture and Labor, and a number of special orders will demand attention, so there is no way of anticipating the work before it is actually begun.

Mr. Cullom intends to announce the death of General Logan very soon after the journal is read in the Senate. To-day an adjournment will be taken till to-morrow. There will be no work before to-morrow in the Senate, and then it is the determination of Mr. Cullom to call up the conference report on the Inter-State Commerce bill.

Mr. Sherman ruled in December that it would be in order to move to take up this report at any time, since it comes from a conference. It is expected that the debate on this matter will consume two or three days, when Mr. Beck will call up his bill prohibiting members of Congress from acting as attorneys or employes for subsidized railroads. This he will surely do if Mr. Evarts is present. Mr. Evarts is the only one who seems to want to make a speech on the bill before it is put upon its passage.

But fifty-one days of the working days remain of the Forty-ninth Congress. One appropriation bill—the Urgent Deficiency—has been passed by both branches of Congress and only one other appropriation bill has passed the House, and that is the Sundry Civil, now before the Senate committees on appropriations. Two or three days will be consumed by the delivery of eulogies on deceased Senators and members.

With so much to do on appropriations, it is generally believed that little else will be admitted. Certainly nothing of importance will be begun until they are out of the way. There are features in the appropriation bills which will call out a great deal of debate, and the importance of commencing on them at once, so as to have the margin of time on the safe side, is readily recognized and fully appreciated by nearly all the members.

Report of the Senate Committee on Transportation Routes to the Seaboard.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Senator Aldrich made public last night the report of the Senate committee on transportation routes to the seaboard on the subject of railroad freights in the United States and foreign countries. The report contains tabulated statements of the progress in production and transportation in the principal countries of the world.

Efforts were made by the committee to group together the average yearly price of grain at the various grain centers in the United States for a series of years, and show the difference in price per bushel at various points between these geographical sections, which would represent, in a measure, the freight and the tendency of the rates of freight charges. It is shown for example that the difference in the prices of corn between the Atlantic ports and the lakes have steadily declined from 21 cents per bushel in 1873 to 10 cents per bushel in 1883; between Atlantic ports and western river ports from 19 cents in 1873 to 11 cents in 1883.

An attempt was made by the committee to ascertain the rates of freight from the principal intermediate points to the seaboard, and also from intermediate points to the principal cities of various States. The investigation was conducted in hope of ascertaining facts in regard to the difference between the rates charged for long hauls and short hauls and to throw light upon the vexed question of a long and a short haul. In relation to this inquiry the committee says if the returns from which the above summary is constructed may be relied on (and the committee has been careful to select returns that appeared on their face correct) the rates for local freight are evidently levied on a somewhat general principle of what the traffic will bear.

In Massachusetts, when terminals are taken into consideration, the cost of transporting a bushel of wheat is more nearly equitable than in any other State represented in the summary. Still, we find the anomoly of a lesser rate for 36 miles than for 15 miles. In Pennsylvania the local rates are higher than in Massachusetts. In Ohio the rate is about the same on 60 as on 90 miles, while the long haul of 215 miles, instead of being relatively less, is relatively greater.

In Massachusetts in 1883 it cost 4.6 cents to transport a bushel of wheat 46 miles; the cost in Connecticut for transporting the same 63 miles was 7 cents; in Pennsylvania, 60 miles, 4.9 cents, and in Ohio, 60 miles, 5 cents. Of course the conditions may not have been the same.

Farther West we find in Kansas 42 cents per bushel for transporting a bushel of wheat 46 miles, and in Massachusetts for same service 36 miles, 2.2 cents, while California pays 5.8 per bushel for 50 miles.

Turning from the United States to foreign countries the committee show the production and consumption of cereals in Europe, and bring out the fact that the increase in population has been relatively much greater in great grain producing countries than in the grain buying countries. The United Kingdom appears to have purchased about two-thirds of all the wheat in the United States exported during this period, and therefore special attention has been given to England's supply of wheat. For this purpose a table was prepared giving a summary of the wheat imported into the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland from various countries during from 1836 to 1842, inclusive, and the decades from 1842 to 1882, inclusive, showing the total importations of wheat and the proportions furnished by the United States, Russia, Germany, British North America, France, Denmark, and all other countries. In commenting on this table the committee says: "A glance at this summary not only shows the rapidity of the agricultural growth of the United States and its importance as a food-exporting country, but also presents some of the economic changes that have occurred in Europe. In the first period the United States supplied less than 1 per cent. of wheat imported into the United Kingdom, and in the last period it supplied nearly 54 per cent. From less than 1,000,000 bushels it increased by a series of leaps and bounds to about 503,000,000 bushels. Excepting the rapid growth of imports of wheat from India, which does not appear in this table, India being classified under "all other countries," there is no instance in the economic history of a growth so rapid. The imports from Germany have decreased from the second period, actually as well as relatively, while, relatively, the percentage of decrease has been steadily sinking from 53 to 33 per cent., next to 24 and 18, and lastly to 6 per cent. The crystalization of the German Empire, the rapid increase of population, the change from an agricultural condition to that of diversified industries all suggest themselves as reasons for the decrease. In Germany population is overtaking the food-producing capacity of the country."

One of the most important features of the report is the showing in tabular form of prices of wheat for a series of years, in the principal countries of the world. These tables show that "the average yearly price of wheat is the lowest in India. Ranging from 85 cents per bushel, at Calcutta, to $1.02 at Bombay between 1878 and 1883. Russia comes next, the average for the decade being $1.38 per bushel at Warsaw; $1.17 per bushel at St Petersburg, and $1.45 per bushel at Odessa. Austria ranks third, the price ranging from $1.18 per bushel at Buda Pesth to $1.29 at Vienna, and $1.36 per bushel at Trieste. The average price of wheat at Algiers was for the entire period covered in the inquiry at $1.28 per bushel; at Smyrna, $1.29 per bushel, and at Beirut, $1.41. In the German empire the price varies somewhat according to location. The free port of Bremen appears to enjoy the lowest price, $1.36 per bushel, and Stettin, on the Baltic, the highest, $1.70 per bushel. The average price of wheat at the principal grain ports of England was exactly $1.50 per bushel. Rouen and Nantes are the cheapest wheat ports in France, namely, $1.48 and $1.50 per bushel respectively."

Important facts are brought out in the report relating to ocean transportation and the comparative cost of freight from India, Russia and the United States to Great Britain, and a table is given, showing, in comparison, the rates of freight for cereals during a series of years from the three principal ports of British India, the great northern and southern ports of Russia, and the Atlantic and Pacific ports of the United States to Great Britain. Of this table the committee says in part: "The general fact and the one of greatest importance to the United States is the steady decline in the cost of transportation and the probability that with increased freight to carry, the rates between Europe and the most important and nearest points to India (Kurrachee and Bombay,) will continue, it will not be long before the cost of carrying wheat from India to Continental Europe and the United Kingdom will be as low as between the Atlantic ports and those markets."

Legislation for the Farmer.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Mr James H. Reall, of New York, president of the American Agricultural and Dairy Association, who has come to Washington to further certain agricultural measures in Congress, and invite the President to be present at the Association National congress, said to a representative of the United Press that there were three important agricultural measures now before Congress, the Department of Agriculture bill, the Animal Industry bill and the Agricultural Experiment Station bill; that the most important one was the first; that it was of paramount important that the agricultural interests of the country have representation in the Cabinet that it was certainly time that industries in which over 54 2 per cent. of the population are engaged in, and from which seventy-four per cent. of the taxes are paid, should have direct representation in the government of the Nation. Referring to the Oleomargarine bill, Mr. Reall said it was growing in popularity with the dairymen and farmers every day. It has already proven itself to be the most useful piece of legislation ever enacted by Congress in the interests of agriculture, and a move in the right direction in the protection of consumers from the adulteration of food products; that good authority warrants the statement that $1,000,000 have already been saved to the dairymen of New York State alone and a similar comparative gain to those of other States.

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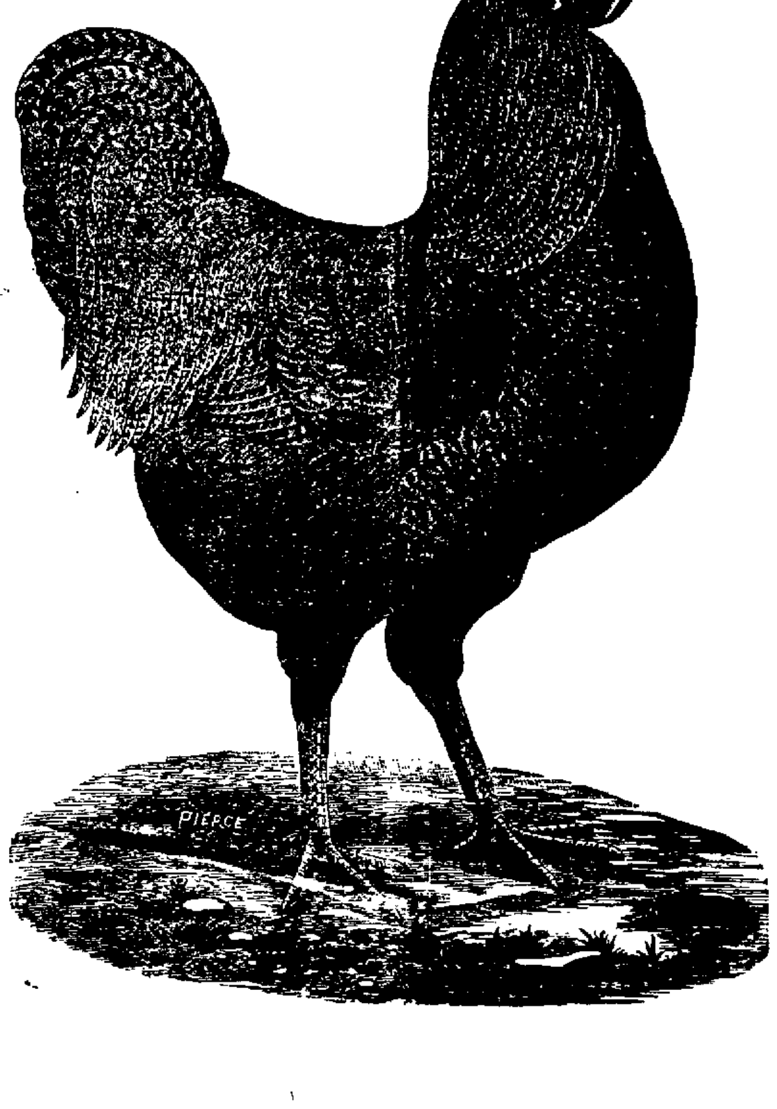


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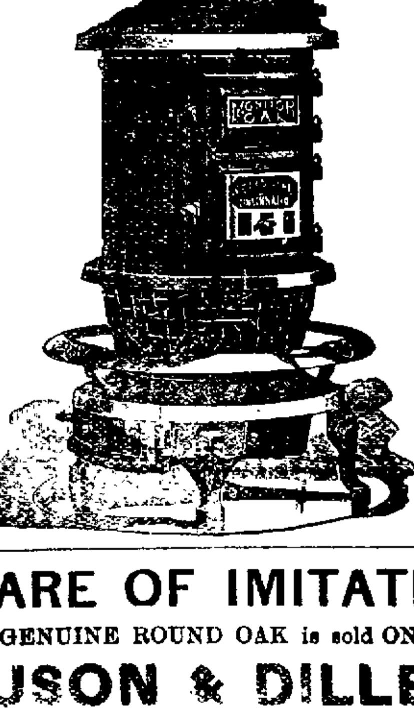


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WHILE we have had the largest Christmas trade we ever had, we still have some very choice Diamonds and extra nice goods which we do not want to carry into next year.

If you are interested in Diamonds call in and see what we show you and the inducements we will offer you.

Our $25.00 Ladies' Solid Gold Watches will be on sale until January 1st, as well as our Special TEA SET sales at $15.00 and $19.50.

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Cloaks, Newmarkets, Havelocks and Short Wraps.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

FOR PRESENTS look through the mammoth assortment at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s.

ATTEND the chicken show.

JUSTICE PROVOST had a very plain drunk before him this forenoon.

OYSTERS in bulk and by the can at D. H. Hoilman & Son's grocery store.

JUDGE HUGHES will hold the February term of the Piatt county circuit court.

J. M. HUFF sets a fine lunch at his place, just north of Millikin's bank.

OYSTERS and meals at J. M. Huff's, three doors north of Millikin's bank.

DR HARSHA's office telephone is 13, instead of 18 as heretofore. 4-d1w

ASK your grocer for Hatfield & Co's White Foam flour—none better.

DRAMA to-night—"Woman Against Woman," with Effie Ellsler as the leading character.

SEE A. J Smith & Son at 733 N. Water street for choice family groceries.

IT is proposed that about three miles of Decatur streets shall be paved with brick and cobblestones the present year.

CALL at Dedman Bros.' handy market on Merchant street for splendid roasts and juicy steaks, oysters and game.

YOU will find White Loaf and Daily Bread flour at all leading grocery stores.

THERE was a gay party last night at the home of A. C. Cooper, three miles west of the city. About 15 couples went out in a wagon-bed sled.

SEND in orders by telephone to Niedermeyer on the Mound for family groceries.

HENRY BAUER delivers groceries to any part of the city. Give him a call Store on East Main street.

FRESH Oysters at J. M. Huff's restaurant, just north of Millikin's bank.

REVIVAL services at Stapp's Chapel continue with increasing interest, the altar being crowded at almost every service Meeting each afternoon and evening at 2:30 and 7:30. Young converts' meeting at 6:30.

TRADE with Peter Ullrich, the cash grocer. Pure preserves and genuine buckwheat flour.

THE "Black Hussar" opera by the McCaull company of 44 people, including orchestra of 8 members, Wednesday night.

*Adelina Patti*, the song queen of the world, has given testimonials to but two American Piano manufacturers, namely, *Hallet Bros.* and *Steinway & Son's*. All of the leading musicians of the country know what merit the above instruments possess.

GEO W. EUHART & Co. have plenty nice Dry Chunks for your heating stoves. Telephone 189. dec27-d1m

G. P. HART for upholstery and shade cords. 18-d6f.

SEE J. Lytle & Co in opera block for first-class groceries. Fresh oysters and celery are specialties.

SELECT handsome parlor sets and chamber suites at Dustman & Meyer's furniture store.

THE Universalist church sociable will be held at the residence of Mrs. D. L. Bunn, on Thursday evening, Jan. 6th. Members and friends are requested to meet at the home of Mrs Dr. Cass Chenoweth in the evening to go out in sleds that will be in waiting for the journey. 8—d4

### Thanks to All.

Thanks are hereby heartily tendered to the ladies who so faithfully served the refreshments and tastefully arranged and decorated the rooms for the New Year's reception at the Y. M. C. A.; to the ladies of the W. C. T. U., and all others who gave us the use of dishes and other needed articles for the occasion, and to the friends in the homes who so liberally donated edibles for the occasion. There are possibly some who donated that were not called on for the articles prepared; and there are many who were not asked for a contribution. To these we wish to say that the weather was so cold and the young men who could spare the time to canvass were so few that they did not see nearly all our friends. If any article donated was not called for, it was because among so many it was over-looked, and the good will of the donor is appreciated as if it had been received. Considering the severe cold weather, the reception was most successful. GEN'L SEC'Y.

### THE BLACK HUSSAR.

Wednesday evening, Jan. 5th, the celebrated McCaull Opera Company, in the famous opera, The Black Hussar (*Der Feld Prediger*), by Millocker, author of the Beggar Student. The company includes Kitty Cheatham, Francis and Alice Gaillard, Mr. Chas. Plunkett and other well-known artists. They carry their own orchestra. The company numbers as follows:

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| Principals | 10 |
| Chorus | 26 |
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"WHO, did you say, is to be the next President?" "Oh! I don't know and don't care. I'm not looking for Presidents—I'm looking for a bottle of Salvation Oil. It kills pain every time." 25c.

One of our most estimable citizens may be thankful for the introduction of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, for its timely use has saved his life. For incipient consumption it is a certain remedy. Price, 25 cents.

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## THE POULTRY CLUB SHOW.

### Over 600 Chicks at the Tabernacle—Fine Fowls and Rival Competitors.

The annual exhibition of the Macon County Poultry Club is in progress at the tabernacle. The very creditable display attracts much interest, many visitors being in attendance at all hours. The admission for adults is only 20 cents; for children under 12 years, 10 cents; season tickets, $1.00. The fanciers of this locality are well represented, while there are many breeders from a distance who are among the competitors. There were about 600 fowls in the rows of coops at noon, there being a larger proportion of Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes The judges are B. N. Pierce, of Indianapolis, Ind., who has had an experience of 17 years, and I. N. Barker, of Thornton, Ind., both of whom were busy this forenoon marking Buff Cochins, Theo. Bobb, of Decatur, capturing the blue ribbons. The judges have a standard of 100 and mark the chicks on their fine appearance, feathers, pureness of breed and weight. Few fowls register higher than 98.

THE ENTRIES.

Below is a list of the entries made up to noon to-day. The floor of the tab. is filled with coops and barnyard notes are constantly heard The public are cordially invited to look at the show during the day and night. The exhibition will close Saturday night:

E. D. Bartholomew, Decatur, P Rocks and White P Rocks.

E. F. Young, Decatur, P Rocks, Silver Gray Dorkings, Rose Comb Black Bantams and Wyandottes.

Dr. J. D Wheeler, Decatur, Silver Spangled Hamburgs.

A. H. Johnson, Illiopolis, L Brahmas.

Fred Kater, Boody, pair Spanish Geese.

James Hankinson, Maroa, Light Brahma cockerel and five pullets, White Cochin cockerel and hen, two Partridge cockerels and pullets, Buff Cochin pullet and cockerel, three Plymouth Rock cockerels, pullet and four hens, two Wyandotte pullets, Rose C B Leghorn cockerel and pullet, two White Leghorn cockerels and pullet, one Leghorn cockerel and pullet.

Peter H. Brueck, Decatur, 2 pairs White Chinese geese, pair Toulouse geese, 2 Bronze turkeys, Light Brahma cockerel and cock, 2 Rouen drakes.

George P. Hardy & Son, Decatur, 2 P Rock breeding pens, 2 P R cockerels and 5 pullets, one L Brahma breeding pen, 1 cockerel, 2 hens and 3 pullets

W. McDonald, Decatur, 1 Wyandotte cockerel and 2 pullets.

Charles Lindsay, Decatur, one White-faced Black Spanish cock and hen.

J. W. Butman, Decatur, Silver Spangled Hamburg cockerel and 2 pullets.

A. R. Harbor, Decatur, 5 Wyandotte cockerels and 4 pullets.

Dr. R. E. Henshie, Hillsboro, Brown Leghorns

John A. Beatty, Macon, Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes.

Dr. C. P. Farrell, Cobden, Plymouth Rocks.

Wm. F. Jacobs, Orsena, Langshans, Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes.

Daniel Christian, Roanoke, Plymouth Rocks.

Ira C. Scantlin, Evansville, Ind., Wyandottes.

A. V. S. Baird, Eureka, Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes.

R. J. Simpson, Light Brahmas and Wyandottes.

C. H. Cockill, Perry, Light Brahmas.

E. B Weston, Poultry Yard, Deerfield, White Leghorns.

D. T. Helkrich, Jacksonville, W F Black Spanish.

F. Hairgrove, Jacksonville, P Rocks

Bert Merlweather, Decatur, Wyandottes.

C. D. Dickhoff, Decatur, L Brahmas, Golden Bearded Polish, Crested White Ducks.

Hookaday & McKay, Emery, Langshans

H. W. Hill, Decatur, L Brahmas, Wyandottes, Black Javas and P Rocks.

W. A. Hinkle, Forsyth, Wyandottes, Langshans and White Polish.

W. J. Brown, Decatur, L Brahmas.

H. W Bartholomew, Decatur, L Brahmas.

J. E Bondurg, Decatur, Toulouse geese

B Brodrick & Bro, Crescent City, L Brahmas.

Dr. S H Swain, Decatur, two pairs Capons.

Theo. K. Bobb, Decatur, Buff Cochins and B B Game Bantams.

Henry Bienz, Decatur. One Plymouth Rock breeding pen; 3 cockerels and 1 pullet; black breasted red game breeding pen, one cock, one cockerel, pullet and hen; 2 silver spangled Hamburg breeding pens one cock, cockerel, pullet and hen, pairs of Emeden, Toulouse, White China and Brown China geese; pair Lesser ducks; pair Pekin ducks. Black and yellow carrier pigeons, Touton red tied, black red tied; blue red tied; black, blue, blue and white African owl; Turbit white, Jacobin red; black and blue fantails, blue and white swallow, black nun and silver runts—all pigeons.

W. S Riches, 301 Olive street, St. Louis, Plymouth Rock cockerel and 2 hens; 3 pullets and 1 breeding pen.

W. A. Hinkle, Forsyth. 13 Wyandotte cockerels, 1 pullets, 5 breeding pens; White Plymouth Rock breeding pen; Wyandotte cock and 2 hens; 2 Langshan breeding pens; one pullet; 3 cockerels, and one breeding pen White Polish.

George Craig, Forsyth One breeding pen Wyandotte fowls and 4 cockerels.

Goeting & Zimmerman, Quincy, Ill. Wyandotte breeding pen; 2 cockerels, 4 hens and 4 pullets.

Charles Page, Deerfield, Ill. Single comb White Leghorn cock and 5 pullets; 1 cock, 1 hen, 1 cockerel and 5 pullets.

Frank Lester, Creston, Iowa. One pair of Leghorns.

Fred. Shellabarger, Letts, Iowa. Plymouth Rock breeding pen, 5 pullets and 5 cockerels, and 1 Wyandotte cockerel.

C. O. Harper, Mt. Carmel, Ill. One Light Brahma cockerel, 1 Langshan cockerel, and 2 White Cochin pullets.

C. H. Benson, Griggsville, Ill. Plymouth Rock breeding pen and pullet

H. C. Allen, Harristown, Ill. Two bronze cocks, 2 cockerels, 3 hens and 2 pullets; also entries for special premiums of pure bred turkeys, turkey cock and heaviest turkey.

J. N. Shumway, Taylorville, Ill. Houdan breeding pen, cockerel, bearded Golden Polish pullets and 2 white combed Polish cockerels.

Mrs. P. E. Montgomery, Edwardsville, Ills. Two pairs of Light Brahmas.

### Good Templars Sociable.

The members of the Good Templars Lodge in this city will give a sociable in their hall in Court House block next Tuesday evening, January 4 All members are invited to come and bring their friends. Visiting members made welcome. A good programme has been prepared and a pleasant time is promised all that may attend. At the regular meeting last Monday night, Bro. B F. Stanley, manager of the Singer sewing machine office in this city, presented the lodge with a handsome Chief Templar regalia, the work of the Improved Singer.

### Shaded.

On New Year's eve, while the thermometer was about ten degrees below zero, the eleven employes of Young Bros & Marts presented each one of the proprietors with a gold-handed silk umbrella, as a token of the high esteem in which they are held and to protect them from the scorching rays of the hot sun (?). The presentation speech was made by Mr. J. T. Finley, the book keeper, and was responded to by Mr. Frank M Young, it being also his (Mr. Y's) birthday anniversary.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. E. A. Morgan, of Maroa, was in the city last night.

Tom McReynolds has returned to Cornell University.

E. D. Steen, Danville's excursion agent, was at the St. Nicholas last night, en route for St Louis.

Miss Jennie Shockey has returned from Ramsey, where she visited her parents during the holidays.

Mrs. L. F. Smith, who has been visiting Mrs. O. Z Greene, left for Chicago last night.

Miss May McKinley, of Champaign, is a guest of Miss Howell and will remain in the city until after the Race-Chambers wedding.

Senator Johns and Representatives Grason, Kretzinger and Pierce, of this district, are at Springfield. The legislature will convene at noon to-morrow.

Chas. Towers, Esq., of Argenta is one of the most prompt of our weekly subscribers. He came in Monday and paid his twentieth year's subscription, having taken the REPUBLICAN since its first number was issued, August 1, 1867. Such subscribers are worth having. Mr. Towers has lived in the county since 1852.

ANOTHER sale of red underwear at Cheap Charley's. d&w

### Bound Over.

B. F. Stanley, local manager for the Singer Sewing Machine Co., had a hearing this morning before Justice Lowry on the charge of resisting an officer in the discharge of his duties, and the defendant was held to await the action of the grand jury. Bail was fixed at $500. Stanley went out with Constable Harris in quest of security. The penalty for resisting an officer is a fine of not more than $500 *and* imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year. Harris testified that Stanley repeatedly resisted him in the performance of his official duty while trying to replevin goods for Mrs. A. T. Grist on New Year's Day. Stanley gave D. L. Buhn and George Dempsey as bondsmen and was released.

### Receiver Cooley's Appointments.

Judge Cooley, receiver for the Eastern Division of the Wabash, made the following excellent appointments Monday:

General Superintendent—K. H. Wade.
General Passenger Agent—Sam. W. Snow.
Treasurer—W. B. Corneau.
Auditor—F. J. Whitney.
General Agent—T. C. Moore.
Gen'l Traffic Manager—William Duncan.

The general headquarters will be at Chicago in the Rialto Building. It is not believed there will be any changes in Decatur.

### A Statement.

Last Sunday Treasurer Litsinberger made the following financial report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1886, for the First M. E. church Sabbath school:

RECEIPTS.

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| Cash on hand Jan. 1, '86 | $ 18 88 |
| Received from excursion | 37 75 |
| Collection and donation for Christmas | 68.50 |
| Penny collection for the year | 203.29 |
| Total | $318.42 |

EXPENDITURES.

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| Additional lesson leaves | $ 6.00 |
| Printing library cards | 3 25 |
| Rent of piano | 12 00 |
| Books for library | 41.48 |
| Blackboard and supplies for infant class | 4.68 |
| Moving rating in library | 2 50 |
| Expense of Children's Day | 1 00 |
| " " excursion and picnic | 94.05 |
| Class books &c | 2.75 |
| Repairs on two organs | 18 00 |
| Donation to county convention | 5 00 |
| Paid cornet player to Nov. 1, '86 | 16 75 |
| Hymn books | 9.00 |
| Christmas entertainment | 57.27 |
| Total | $270.73 |
| Balance on hand | 47.69 |

### Old Saints' Day at Stapp's Chapel.

By special request, Friday afternoon has been set apart for an old peoples' meeting. It will be in charge of one who conducted meetings fifty years ago, and only those of fifty years of age and upwards will take part. Organs and modern songs will be discarded, and the old hymns and tunes that our fathers and mothers used will have a resurrection. The old saints in city and country are looking and praying for an old-fashioned pentecostal season. Everybody and their friends invited.

## THE CIRCUIT COURT.

### Continuation of September Term—Criminal Cases on Trial

Judge Hughes arrived from Mattoon and convened the circuit court to do what he can toward finishing up the business of the September term. Court was immediately adjourned in memory of the late Judge Greer.

This morning the 28th day of the term commenced, when a number of motions were entertained. The Judge will hear only jury trials on the criminal docket, concluding his work here on Saturday On Monday the regular January term will begin, with Judge Smith on the bench. The September grand jury is in session.

The following business was transacted to-day:

PEOPLE'S DOCKET.

People vs. Solomon Chavours; assault to do bodily injury. At request of defendant order of committal suspended six months.

People vs. Alexander Grattan; personating an officer and carrying concealed weapons. Continued.

People vs. Edward Kramer; assault. Verdict not guilty.

People vs. same; carrying deadly weapon. Verdict guilty, and defendant fined $25.

People vs. Charles Dingman; assault to murder. Defendant pleaded guilty to first count; fined $50 and costs. Order of committal suspended for six months.

People vs. Emanuel Lowe; assault to murder and kill Luke Craig at Maroa. Trial by jury pending.

The next trial in order on the criminal docket is the forgery case against Frederick Aholtz.

THE BUCKINGHAM CASE.

People for use of John Trainer vs. I. A. Buckingham; stipulation. Time to file bond and bill of exceptions extended 30 days.

### The Drama To-Night.

The "Woman Against Woman" dramatic company has arrived and will present the play to-night at the opera house. Effie Elsler is among the few women on the stage who remain womanly. Let her put on Red Ridinghood's cap and all of us grown up children would rejoice at the death of the Wolf; let her step her foot in Cinderella's slipper, and she would outshine all the evil sisters. As Bessie Barton, the heroine "Woman Against Woman," which will be presented at the opera house to-night, she will dig up all the emotion and sentiment in your nature bury it ever so deep. As an exponent of the genuine and artistic school of acting Miss Elsler has few equals and no superiors among the present actors and actresses. The story of "Woman Against Woman" is simple in detail and strong in act on, appealing to all classes alike. It unravels itself without a single entanglement, never ceasing in dramatic action or flagging in interest from rise to fall of curtain. It is not a one part play like many of the present day. Every character is strong and well taken. Miss Elsler is supported by Mr. Frank Weston and a company of excellent merit which adds very materially to the enjoyment of an audience and goes far towards making the play one of unusual interest.

### Masonic.

Stated convocation of Macon Chapter No 21, R. A. Masons, this (Tuesday) evening, at 7 o'clock, sharp, for installation of officers. N. L. KRONE, H. P.
J. C. HOSTETLER, Sec.

### Installation.

The regular meeting of Dunham Post, No. 141, G. A. R, will be held this evening when the newly-elected officers will be installed. A full attendance of the membership is desired.

A VALUABLE New Year's gift and something every young man will appreciate for life, would be a scholarship in the Business College. HALF RATES at the night sessions.

### Cut Prices.

We shall meet all prices, whether on standard goods or not, in Carpets, Curtains, Upholstery goods, Oil Cloths, Mattings, Rugs or Wall Paper, that may be offered in this market.

daw LINN & SCRUGGS.

## THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

### Action on Street Paving Put Off—A Remonstrance—Routine Business.

The first regular meeting of the city council for the new year was held last night, Mayor Kanan in the chair, and all the aldermen present except Harwood.

On petition of property owners an ordinance was ordered drawn for the abolition of the use of the telegraph and telphone poles on Merchant street as hitching posts.

The prayer of John H. Daniels for permission to put up a transparent sign in front of 223 N. Main street, was referred to committee on sidewalks with power to act.

The same action was taken on Barber Roland's prayer to put up portable sign in front of John Pifer's she shop.

REPORTS.

Treasurer Laux reported to January 1, $245 82 in general fund, with balances in other funds.

Engineer Barnett reported for December 269,015 pounds of coal used at water works; 58,505,267 gallons of water pumped, and that the electric light engine was run during the month 151 hours and 55 minutes.

Library report received and approved.

Sup't Alexander reported for December 450 feet of lumber used by fire department; 1738 feet for sidewalks and crossings; 238 feet for bridges and culverts, leaving a balance of 3017 feet on hand; amount expended in departments, $189.12.

Reports of justices of the peace referred.

CLAIMS PAID.

City officers' pay roll, $260; Henry Archer, $8.80; C. Nichols, $3 25; D. A. Reeme, $1; Randolph & Gher, $36; pay roll water works' employes, $290; J. Leforgee & Son, $10; Glens Falls Ins. Co, $7; Bachman Bros, $3 50; J. R. Miller, $20; Globe Restaurant, $16.35; *Review*, $1.50; V. H Parke, $51.99; P. Loeb, $6 75; G P Nichols, $3 25; pay roll fire dep't, $4 80; pay roll city engineer, $24 50; public library bills paid; L. L. Ferriss & Co., $15 90; Montgomery & Shull, $46 00; F. C. Betzer, $22.25; D. Fields, $8; W. W. Mason, $2.95; J. H. Mauzy, $43.20; John Nichols, $15; pay roll city police, $510; Thomas Fields $15; Dunston Bros., $8 25; Chicago Electrical Supply Co., $103.50; same, $11.50; same, $2 88; F. A. Leforgee, $22; Sam Miller, $5; Citizens Ins. Co, $10 00; Oder & Stearns, $25.

By Ehrman: *Resolved*, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the finance committee for $70.17 for interest due on bonds of 1896. Adopted.

The deed of John R Race and wife, giving the city a strip of ground at the rear of Morehouse, Wells & Co.'s store, making an outlet for teams to the Merchant street alley at rear of stores fronting on Water street, was presented, and the resolution offered by McClellan that the same be accepted and placed on record in the recorder's office, was adopted.

The ordinance for the paving of North Water street, from North street to Wabash railway, was read. The motion of Metz it was required that the contractor shall give bond for one-third total cost of improvement that it shall last for five years was adopted, as was also the motion of Shoemaker, that after brick is laid the surface shall be rolled or tamped by hand to make it smooth. Further action on the ordinance, on motion, was delayed until the regular meeting to be held on February 1st.

The ordinance for paving West Main street, from Church street west to city limits, with brick, was presented for action, the right of way of the street car company between the rails with cobble stones.

A remonstrance against the improvement was presented signed by J. Millikin H. B. Corman, Lydia Shepperd, Mrs Hockingberry, Pat Casey, J. B Dinges, J. L. Adams, Nellie Finley, Samuel Tibbets, J. S. Bixby, Benton Blackstone, J. H. Miller, W. B. Newell, A. Stetcher, W E. Horne, D. P. Bunn, Estate of W. B. Harry, John G. May, R. H. Merlweather, E. W. Moore, Hostetler Brothers, J. W. Race, Peter McDonald, M. Troutman, I. Baldwin and J. B. Stout, representing 3103 feet, or three-fifths of the frontage along the street.

On motion the whole matter was laid over for action until the first regular meeting in March.

The National Meter claim was referred to the city attorney for investigation.

Charles P. Housum was named as one of the special assessment commissioners, in place of S. S. Jack.

Adjourned.

## MARRIED.

By Squire Curtis at his office in Decatur on Saturday, January 1, 1887, WILLIAM DOODY, of Lostant, LaSalle county, and MISS EMILY LONG, of Mowequa.

By Elder Trueblood, of the U. B. church, at 7 o'clock p. m. on Monday, January 3, 1887, WILLIAM D. PRESCOTT and MISS ANNIE B. SLAUGHTER, both of Decatur.

### The Old Reliable.

A great change was effected in the appearance of the *Chicago Evening Journal* in May last, and we are happy to announce that it has met with favor among our readers and has given us many new ones, having largely increased our circulation. The *Daily Journal* is now a neat eight page paper, twelve pages on Saturday, printed on new perfecting presses, with everything that modern ingenuity can supply, both for speed and elegance of workmanship, and no expense will be spared to keep it abreast of all competitors in everything that pertains to a FIRST CLASS NEWSPAPER. The Weekly edition has twelve pages each week, the year round, filled with a large amount of original matter and the choicest miscellany. All the news of the week, in concise form, with nothing to offend the most fastidious, it is a most acceptable family paper. Both the Daily and the Weekly editions contain perfect market reports up to the latest moment of going to press, and all matters of interest to the merchant, the mechanic, and the farmer in the great Northwest of which Chicago is the centre. With all these changes, which have cost so much to bring about, the price of the Weekly has not been advanced, being still $1.00 a year, and the price of the Daily is now only $6.00 a year, as compared with $10 00 before the change. The *Journal* remains steadfastly Republican, but in expressing its honest convictions it is always careful to be right and just to all men.

### The Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant, this city:

Wheat—78¼ Jan; 79⅜ Feb; 80¼ Mar; 86½ May.
Corn—36⅝ Jan; 36⅞ Feb; 37¼ Mar; 42½ May.
Oats—26⅝ Jan; 26¼ Feb; 26¾ Mar; 31¼ May.
Pork—11.95 Jan; $12 15 Feb; $12.30 May.
Lard—$6.50 Jan; $6 60 Feb; $6 75 May.
Ribs—$6 00 Jan; $6.10 Feb; $6 25 May.
Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs, 22,000; prospects steady.
Cattle, 8,000; slow and easy.
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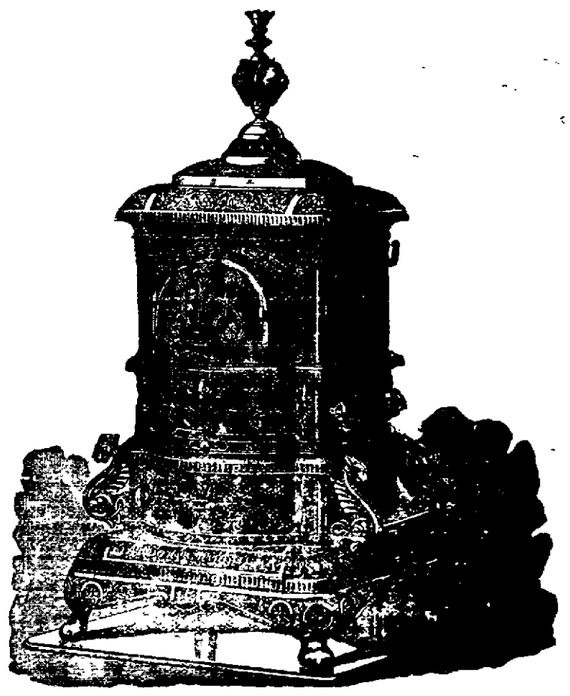

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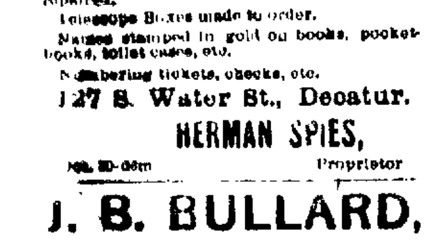

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A. T. Grist's bath rooms, south of the REPUBLICAN office, are now ready for use. The rooms are the largest and best in the city. aug18-dtf

New Feed Store.

Geo. W. Eerhart has started, in connection with his coal yard, a feed store. All orders for coal or feed promptly filled. Telephone No. 139. dec8 d1m

The largest assortment of Boys' Knee Pants, ranging in price from $1 to $1.50, at B. Stine's. d&w

## WANTED, LOST, FOUND, &c

(Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.)

LOST—On Thursday evening, a pair of gold spectacles, in a papier mache case. The finder will please return to this office and receive suitable reward. 31d6*

THE Woman's Exchange has moved to 210 South Main St. The stand is centrally located and free of rent, and avoids many disagreeable things that were to contend with in the office. The Exchange will be conducted as before. I shall now be able to devote my time fully to the business. Stamping a specialty. Thanking the public for past patronage, solicit a continuance of same. Orders taken for all kinds of fancy work, done by machine or hand. MRS. A. T. GRIST. d1w*

FOR RENT—A nice suburban residence, with three acres of ground, at 1455 North Church street. Possession can be given at once. Apply at office of Justice Stevens in Powers' Block. 30d6*

POLAND CHINA HOGS—We have for sale on the farm adjoining Forsyth, a choice lot of pigs, of both sexes, and some breeding sows. They are all either registered or entitled to registration in any Poland China record. Our stock has been carefully selected from the best herds in America, and you can not do better anywhere. Prices low. dec8-d&w1mo EWING & RAINEY.

MONEY to loan in large and small amounts. Loans made on live stock, farm implements, or household goods. All classes of loans negotiated on short notice. Loans on farms and city business property at 8 per cent. interest. Apply to A. T. SUMMERS, over New York Store. July 16-d&wtf

NOTICE—My wife, Mary Thomas, having left my bed and board without just cause, I hereby warn all persons against giving her credit on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting. dec29-d1w* JOHN M. THOMAS.

FOR RENT, CHEAP—Four good, new rooms suitable for housekeeping. Enquire on the premises, 755 North Union street.

PROPERTY FOR SALE—Two houses and three lots in north part of town will be sold at a rare bargain, if taken within 30 days. For particulars apply at 517 North Water St. Dec18-dtf

TO LOAN—Money on Farm security at 6 per cent interest, and a reasonable commission, with privilege of paying at any time, in sums of $100.00 or any multiple thereof, and stopping interest, or 7 per cent. interest without commission. Apply to GEORGE BROWN, Attorney at Law, No. 250 North Water Street, Decatur, Ills. dec15-d1mo

FOR RENT—Two or three rooms, at No. 1070 North Main street. Call on premises, or at 309 E. Wood street. nov11 dtf

FOR SALE—The General Moore Residence on West Prairie st. Is one of the most desirable properties in the city. Payments to suit purchaser. J. M. CLOKEY. July 23-dtf

WANTED—Everybody to know that Bachman Bros. will buy or trade for your old style furniture in exchange for new. Call and see them. m17d-tf

WOOD—Stove Wood—Cord Wood—More Wood, Better Wood, and will sell cheaper than anyone in the city. The wood is right here in the city where you can inspect it. Do not buy until you see me. All kinds of stock feed at rock bottom prices. I am down town agent for Decatur coal. Always deliver promptly. Telephone 55. V. H. PARKE. June12-dtf

NOTICE.—I am prepared to thoroughly repair, black and put up parlor and kitchen stoves. J. H. ROSSELL, 625 East Wood street. aug 26—dtf

NOTICE—I am prepared to furnish or direct, in first-class style, suppers and dinners, for weddings or other parties. Give me a trial. WM HOLLAND 611 S. Main street. 13-dtf

HAVE your feathers and mattresses renovated at the mattress factory, 553 North Broadway. J. S. COX & CO. Telephone Stevens Brothers mar15-dtf

THERE is a "whistling well" on a farm in Clare county, Mich. It is 130 feet deep and whistles loudest just before a storm.


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The BEST SALVE in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or your money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by Swearingen & Hubbard. a1


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Wall Paper.

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BUSHER & HUTCHIN for the finest holiday slippers in Decatur. d14-d&wtf

California Excursions.

January 13th and January 26th the Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets to Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal., at $75.05 for the round trip, tickets going one route and returning by any direct line. Tickets limited to six months from date of sale. For further information write or call at Wabash office, or on Thomas Bivans over postoffice, Decatur Illinois. 027dtd

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### THE REASONS WHY.

But why do I keep Thanksgiving,
Did I hear you aright, my dear?
Why? When I'm all alone in life,
Not a chick nor a child to be near,
John's folks, all away in the West,
Lucy's across the sea,
And not a soul in the dear old home
Save a little bound girl and me!

It does look lonesome, I grant it;
Yet, strange as the thing may sound,
I'm seldom in want of company
The whole of the merry year round—
There's spring when the lilac blossoms,
And the apple trees blush to bloom,
There's summer, when great moths flit and glance,
Through the twilight's star-lit gloom.

Then comes the beautiful autumn,
When every fragrant briar,
Flinging its garlands on fence and wall,
Is bright as a living fire,
And then the white, still winter time,
When the snow lies warm on the wheat,
And I think of the days that have passed away,
When my wife was young and sweet.

I'm a very happy woman
To-day, though my hair is white,
For some of my troubles I've overlived
And some I keep out of sight.
I'm a busy old woman, you see, dear
As I travel along life's road,
I'm always trying as best I can,
To lighten my neighbor's load.

That child? you should think she'd try me,
Does she earn her bread and salt?
You've noticed she's sometimes indolent,
And indolence is a fault;
Of course it is, but the orphan girl
Is growing as fast as she can,
And to make her work from dawn till dark
Was never a part of my plan.

I like to see the dimples
Flash out in the little face,
That was wan enough, and still enough
When first she came to the place.
I think she'll *do*, when she's older;
A kitten is not a cat.
And now that I look at the thing, my dear,
I hope she'll never be *that*.

I am thankful that life is peaceful;
I should just be sick of strife,
If, for instance, I had to live along
Like poor Job Slocum's wife.
I am thankful I didn't say "yes," my dear—
What saved me, I do not see—
When Job, with a sprig in his button-hole,
Once came a-courting me.

I'm thankful I'm neither poor nor rich,
Glad that I'm not in debt;
That I owe no money I can not pay,
And so have no call to fret.
I'm thankful so many love me,
And that I've so many to love,
Though my dearest and nearest are all at home,
In the beautiful land above.

I shall always keep Thanksgiving
In the good old fashioned way,
And think of the reasons for gratitude
In December, and June, and May,
In August, November and April,
And the months that come between:
For God is good, and my heart is light,
And I'd not change place with a queen.
—*M. E. Sangster, in Demorest's Monthly.*

## MRS. DOBBS' "WHIM."

It Did Not Turn Out So Badly, After All.

Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs lived at Clapham. They were a very worthy couple, their friends said. That is about the best people will say of an elderly pair, if they are not intellectual or troublesome. Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs were neither. Mr. Dobbs was stout and commonplace in appearance, and he did not flirt with his neighbor's wife or gamble in stocks, or live beyond his income. He was hall-marked amongst upright men, and was trustee for half his friends' children. No doubt he was a trifle heavy and prosy at times, but these are drawbacks frequently attendant upon men of probity. He certainly was never tempted by impulses or inspirations of any sort either to do wrong or to become witty and original.

Mrs. Dobbs was reputed a respectable and virtuous matron for other reasons. Imprimis, she had no taste in dress; neither did she paint her face, or excite the envy and spite of her female friends by beautifying her house. She was fond of a good dinner of a solid English sort, and always wore black silk or satin gowns. Her caps were preposterous erections of lace with gilt or steel ornaments attached; and when she went to the theater she wore a red bernouse. Truly this couple were left behind in the race of extravagance, frivolty and eccentricity. Fashionable folks would have nothing to say to them; those who did consider them worth cultivating explained their status as "good worthy people," with a compassionate shrug or smile.

Mr. Dobbs was "something in the city," and his big office and many clerks brought in something more than a comfortable income. Yet he made no parade of wealth and kept household accounts strictly. Every evening he returned home punctually by the six o'clock train from Waterloo, carrying his fish-basket with him. Fish was cheaper and better in the city than at Clapham, and Mrs. Dobbs was particularly fond of fish. The worthy Josiah would not have spoilt her dinner for the world. She must have her salmon in season, and her red mullet and whitebait, all in due turn, of the best. By this you will understand that Mr Dobbs was devoted and domestic. Yet there were thorns amidst the roses of his conjugal paradise. Mrs Dobbs was now and again beset by spirits of unrest and discontent, and her whims at intervals caused dear, steady-going Josiah much inconvenience. There were no children at Clarence Villa; and perhaps for this reason Mrs. Dobbs had more leisure for complaint. She practiced the art of murmuring with as steady persistence as a prima donna her scales. Josiah suffered her discontents with more than the ordinary patience of an exemplary husband.

As years went on Josiah philosophically gave up wishing for an heir, seeing his Dorothy had grown portly and middle-aged. He subscribed largely to various charities, not having a legitimate outlet for his human kindness. A philoprogenitive organ impelled him towards children's hospitals. Why, said he, should not his generation benefit instead of they that were to come after?

Mrs. Dobbs did not, however, view such matters with equanimity. Seeing the undue and unwelcome number of olive branches round about other people's tables, she resented nature's cruelty to herself. She therefore frowned persistently on Josiah's philanthropic schemes for other people's children. His benevolence towards orphans, foundlings, and waifs and strays was a never-ceasing cause of argument and mortification to her. Yet she did not suffer any loss personally from these charitable deeds. Not a wish remained ungranted, and checks were forthcoming with cheerful readiness when required. She had her carriage, her servants, her milliners and her pleasures as she listed. Josiah erected a miniature Crystal Palace in his garden because she wished to have bananas growing. He took her to Egypt one winter, and nearly died of sea-sickness by the way, because she had been reading Eastern romances and yearned for Oriental glitter. Nothing that money could obtain was denied her. Only she had no children.

For a long time now Mrs. Dobbs had displayed no extraordinary caprice. Josiah was sailing along in wonderfully smooth matrimonial waters. But the lady's frequent absence of mind and contemplative mien might have convinced a more sophiscated man that mischief was brewing. In truth, Mrs. Dobbs was was slowly hatching a scheme which she felt sure would run counter to Josiah's wishes. This lent an additional zest to her plan. She considered it a retributive scheme. She would fight Josiah on his own ground with his own favorite weapon of benevolence.

"I'm going to adopt a child, Josiah. Now, it's no use your contradicting me, because I won't listen," said the lady one evening over dessert. She spoke aggressively, cracking the shell of a walnut with decision. She had peevishly found fault with the fish and the salad, and had slapped her pug for no earthly reason. If Josiah had been less slow he would have opined that a storm was brewing. There was silence for a minute after Mrs. Dobbs had opened fire.

"Aren't you going to speak?" she said at length.

"A child?" remarked Josiah, dropping his fat chin into his shirt. "My love, that is surely a project requiring very serious consideration."

Mrs. Dobbs tossed her head ominously. Every inch of lace in her cap seemed suddenly to have acquired starch, while the gilt ornaments thereon scintillated fiercely.

"When I say a thing I mean it, as you know, Josiah. I have considered that you indulge your hobbies without restraint. It is high time my benevolence found something to occupy it."

Josiah drank up his wine slowly. When he spoke again it was in a subdued tone.

"Dorothy, my dear, how often have I reminded you in the past three years that your poor sister—left a child. As I have said before, it is your clear duty to——"

"Mr. Dobbs!" The lady rose, and swept her black satin skirts to the door. Here she paused to add: "I repeat, I remember no sister. A disgraceful marriage severed all connection of birth. I beg that you will never allude to that shameful matter again."

Perhaps the episode alluded to was well remembered by Josiah, for he sighed several times in his after-dinner solitude. He knew the madcap girl he had sheltered for many years beneath his roof was dead, but he knew, too, that her child lived, and he would fain have cherished it for the mother's sake.

In the course of the evening Mrs. Dobbs resumed the question of adoption. Josiah was a peaceable man, and he loved his wife; but this last whim was a serious one, and would inevitably entangle her in difficulties.

"I'm going to advertise at once," she said.

Mr. Dobbs looked very blank.

"I should advise you to try some other plan that would give less publicity to the matter," he said, mildly. "That would bring any amount of beggars and impostors about you."

Mrs. Dobbs looked over her crewel work in an injured way.

"There you are again, Josiah; always trying to oppose me and make my life miserable. I declare you contradict me every morning and evening about something. Haven't I told you before what a lonely life I lead? It's all very well for you, who go away to the city every day and enjoy yourself making money. You are just like all men—you are selfish to the core." With this final female platitude, Mrs. Dobbs began to whimper. Mr. Dobbs fel guilty of heinous cruelty.

"A companion might ———" he began.

The lady lifted herself from the sofa cushion and Josiah quailed.

"A companion!" with withering sarcasm, "to make love to you, no doubt, Josiah. I know their scheming ways. Didn't I have enough of Miss Griggs and her maneuvering tricks, working you braces, the hussy, and sending you Christmas cards. How dare you mention a person of that sort after all my sufferings with them?"

Of course in the end the lady prevailed, and Josiah passively countenanced the adoption. Matters were soon set in order for the fulfilment of the latest whim. Yet verily her heart failed her during the week following her advertisement. Her lonely condition had never been so apparent to her before as when she was beset by a crew of parents and guardians bearing some puny or blighted infant for her adoption. All sorts and conditions of men craved her pity for their wretched children. She was bewildered by the questions put to her, and terrified by the offensive bearing of bolder applicants. More than once Mrs. Dobbs had to ring in her respectable butler to get rid of some insistent parent who endeavored to intimidate her into an immediate purchase. The result of all this was a cessation of the daily advertisement. Mr. Dobbs, of course, was not informed minutely of all that went on; though an interview with his butler one evening threw a little light on things that had occurred.

"I wish to give a month's warning, sir," said this gentleman, in privacy to his master.

"Why, now, Tinker, what is the matter? I'm sure you've a very comfortable place, with a boy to do all your dirty work."

Tinker coughed and stammered a few words before coming to the point.

"Well, now, sir, to speak plain, it's along of that wild crowd of vagabonds as Mrs. Dobbs she's seeing of every day. Babies by the score, they're brought by impident rascals such as I ain't been accustomed to. One of 'em she wouldn't go out of the gate till I called the police. It ain't respectable in a gentleman's house, I do assure you, sir."

Somehow or other Mr. Dobbs managed to soothe the outraged feelings of his man servant and prevailed upon him to put up awhile longer with the inconvenience of the situation. The worthy Josiah was concerned for the protection of his wife.

"How are you getting on with your business, my love?" inquired Mr. Dobbs that evening.

"Oh, pretty well," said the lady cheerfully, yet persistently avoiding her husband's eye. "I find it very difficult to make up my mind; and I want a pretty little boy, not quite a baby, with no disgraceful connections to hang about him. No doubt I shall see one to suit me in a few days."

The few days passed without further allusion to the subject, and the following curious advertisement appeared in all the daily papers:

"Wanted, for immediate adoption, a little boy between two and four years old. Must be healthy and pretty, and sound in body and mind. The parents or relatives must surrender all claim upon him forever. He will be comfortably provided for in the future. Apply daily to Messrs. Griffham & Grabham, Solicitors, 201 Parliament street, Westminster."

After the appearance of this advertisement the persecution of Clarence Villa died away, and only now and again a respectable man or woman, leading a little boy, was heard inquiring for Mrs. Dobbs' residence of a local policeman. But the lady was obdurate to all claims made on her pity. She had hardened her heart to destitute cases; and penniless widows or consumptive fathers met with scant ceremony at her hands if their offspring were not desirable. After this had gone on for a fortnight or more, Mrs. Dobbs one day visited Messrs. Griffham and Grabham during busness hours.

"I have come about the child, Mr. Griffham," she said, going at once to her point. "How is it you have sent me none that are pretty or interesting?" From the force of habit, Mrs. Dobbs was apt to speak dictatorially to strangers.

"My dear madam, pray remember children are not made to order."

Mrs. Dobbs winced. "I see I must expect no assistance from you, sir," she said loftily. "No doubt my husband's opposition to my project has influenced you. I will trouble you no further in this matter. You may consider your quest at an end. Good morning."

Weary of her undertaking, Mrs. Dobbs had almost resolved to abandon her whim. She chewed the cud of bitter thoughts on her homeward way that day. Providence or fortune was against her success. That evening Mr. Dobbs came home with an unusual degree of haste, and of a cheerful mien.

"My love," said, tipping over the dining-room mat, "I've found a child for you."

Mrs. Dobbs looked up coldly. "It's impossible I shall like it," she said, perversely. "No one wants to part with a child unless there's something the matter with it."

Mr. Dobbs beamed yet more brightly. He was not to be subdued by any wet blankets. "It's a little boy, and he is three years old, fair, pretty and most intelligent. His father is just dead."

"What about the mother?" queried Mrs. Dobbs cautiously.

Josiah reddened, stammering a little. "She—ah. poor soul—is dead too. This is no beggar's brat. He is well-born, Dorothy, on one side. I can give you every proof."

The next day the child was brought to Clapham, and left at Clarence Villa by a clerk from Mr. Dobbs' office. He was poorly dressed, but a handsome little lad, lively and spirited. He was not at all shy, and addressed himself freely to the pug and parrot. The piping treble voice, and shrill, childish laughter, touched the maternal chord in Dorothy's heart. She went a little sadly that day while her eyes followed the child. He stroked her velvet gown and fingered her rings, while he sat upon her knee, chattering about the things around him.

"What is your name?" questioned the lady.

"Harry," answered the boy, readily. But nothing more could be elicited from him. He did not seem to understand that he could have a second name. He was but a baby-boy, scarcely three.

In the afternoon Mrs Dobbs telegraphed to her husband that he must make arrangements for her to keep the child a day or two. It would not be necessary to send any one to fetch him that evening. The day passed quickly, with little feet pattering beside her, exploring the wonders of garden and greenhouses. Towards seven o'clock Mrs Dobbs began to look anxiously for her spouse's return. She had quite decided that she would keep the child, but still there were questions to be asked—preliminaries to be settled. The little boy must be hers entirely. None must ever claim him or interfere with his welfare. Mr. Dobbs came leisurely up the garden at his usual hour, carrying his fish-bag. His stolid face changed a little when he looked through the window and saw the child on his wife's knee.

"He is a pretty boy, Dorothy," he said nervously when he came near.

"A darling little boy. I mean to keep him, Josiah," she said, gently disengaging the chubby hands from her chain. "Will you stay with me, Harry?"

The child laughed gleefully, tossing back his curls.

"Stay with oo; pitty, pitty flowers," he cried, clapping his hands.

"Tell me all you know about him, Josiah. What is his parentage, and will his nearest relatives surrender all claim upon him?"

Josiah shifted uneasily on his seat. He had the appearance of a man oppressed with guilt.

"He is an orphan," said he, looking speculatively at his own broad toes.

"So much the better for me," said Mrs. Dobbs. "But I will not have any distant relatives hanging about. He must belong exclusively to me."

Mr. Dobbs drew nearer to his wife.

"Dorothy, he ought to belong to you, if to any one."

The lady put down the child from her knee. His large blue eyes gazed in wonder at this sudden rejection.

"What is the boy's name?" said Mrs. Dobbs, breathlessly.

"Henry," he rejoined slowly.

"But, Henry what?" she asked more sharply.

"Henry Morrison. He is your sister's child—a friendless orphan now. God help him, if you don't."

Mrs. Dobbs fell back on the sofa cushion, and covered her face with her hands. The tears were falling through them when little fingers essayed to move them.

"Has oo been naughty? Don't ky."

Perhaps the lady was very conscious of her own naughtiness, for she cried still more at this appeal, drawing the child into her embrace. There was never any more doubt about the adoption. Henry Morrison calls Mrs. Dobbs mother at this day, and Josiah is a little less generous towards asylums and hospitals. There will be a very pretty penny by and by for his adopted son.—*Argosy.*


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WM M. PEARCE.
Sept. 22, 1886. sept22-dtf

WOULD you like to erect a good and beautiful monument to the grave of a departed friend? I will supply you in marble or granite at prices cheaper than any other house in the city. Call at my shop on East Main street before purchasing elsewhere. I have lots of good monuments now on hand and will sell them. All work first class. Thankful for past patronage, would solicit a continuance of the same. W. H. GRINDOL,
Dec22-d1m


Brace Up.

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with Headache, you are fidgety, nervous and generally out of sorts, and want to *brace* up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines, or bitters, which have for their basis very cheap, bad whisky, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in worse condition than before. What you want is an alterative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of Liver and Kidneys, restore your vitality, and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50 cents a bottle at Swearingen & Hubbard's drug store. a3


Henry McFigue, of Baldwinsville, Miss., swallowed his false teeth, and a country doctor fished out the plate after six hours work.

California Excursion.

December 14th, January 11th, February 18th and March 15th, the Illinois Central Railroad will sell excursion tickets to San Francisco and Los Angeles, Cal., at $75.05 for the round trip, tickets good going via New Orleans and the Southern Pacific, and returning by any of the direct lines. Tickets limited to six months from date of C. F. HILDRETH,
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Early Closing.

To enable my salesmen to renew their acquaintance with family and best girl, the White Front will close at 7 o'clock p. m. from January 1st to April 1st, Saturdays excepted. JOHN IRWIN,
29-d1w Manager.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY. }

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery. To September Term, A.D. 1886.
John K. Warren vs. James Dermit et al—Foreclosure. No. 12,584.

Public Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A. D. 1886, by the said court in the above entitled cause, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon county, Illinois, will at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on *Saturday, the 15th day of January, A. D. 1887,* at the west side door of the court house in said Macon county, sell, at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate lying and being in the county of Macon, State of Illinois, to-wit: Lot three (3) in block one (1) of Martin Forstmeyer's Addition to the City of Decatur, Ills.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash. Said lot is sold subject to redemption.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 24th day of December, A. D. 1886.
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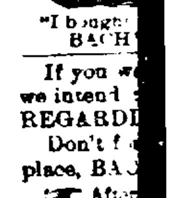

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